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**Before an entry denotes that the item is part of the FCC's implementation of the 1996 Telecom Act. While we will attempt to flag all Telecom Act-related items, this marking is unofficial and informational only.

NEWS RELEASES

**COMMISSION ADOPTS MEASURES TO PROTECT CONSUMERS FROM DECEPTIVE TOLL-FREE CALL PRACTICES; Implements 1996 Telecom Act Provisions Governing Interstate Pay-Per-Call and Other Information Services -- CC Docket Nos. 96-146 and 93-22, (Report No. DC 96-64, Action in Docket Case)

The Commission today released an Order that will protect consumers from unknowingly being charged for calls made to toll-free numbers. The new rules implement provisions of the 1996 Telecommunications Act and conform FCC regulations to the more stringent statutory provisions governing toll-free service, interstate pay-per-call, and other information services.

Action by the Commission June 28, 1996, by Order and NPRM (FCC 96-289).

News Media Contact: Mindy J. Ginsburg at (202) 418-1500. Common Carrier Bureau contact: Mary Romano at (202) 418-0960. [Internet file name: nrcc6045.txt]

FCC AFFIRMS DENIAL OF WAIVER REQUESTS IN THE FIRST AUCTION OF IVDS LICENSES (Report No. WT 96-12, Wireless Telecom Action)

In the context of the payment rules for the first IVDS auction, the FCC has denied four petitions for reconsideration of Commission action, and has dismissed a fifth petition as repetitious.

Action by the Commission June 18, 1996, by MO&O (FCC 96-271).

News Media Contact: Kara Palamaras at (202) 418-0654. Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Contact: Eric Malinen at (202) 418-0638. [Internet file name: nrwl6033.txt]

WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES REVISIONS TO WORLD WIDE WEB PAGES (Report No. WT 96-13, Wireless Telecom Action)

News Media Contact: Kara Palamaras at (202) 418-0654. Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Contacts: Rosa Prescott at (202) 418-0688 and William Hakanson, Steve Buenzow, or Al Knerr at 1-800-322-1117. [Internet file name: nrwl6034.txt]

PRELIMINARY DOMESTIC INFORMATION FROM STATISTICS OF COMMUNICATIONS COMMON CARRIERS RELEASED BY FCC.

For additional information contact Mary Green or Katie Rangos at (202) 418-0940. [Internet file name: nrcc6046.txt]

PUBLIC NOTICES

EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS AND POST-REPLY
COMMENT PERIOD FILINGS IN NON-RESTRICTED
PROCEEDINGS

TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG --
July 10

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NON-DOMINANT CARRIERS -- July 10

COMMENT SOUGHT ON REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF
THE COMMISSION'S FREEZE ON INTER-CATEGORY
SHARING OF PRIVATE LAND MOBILE CHANNELS IN
THE 800 MHZ BAND TO PERMIT SHARED USE OF
LICENSED FACILITIES (DA 96-1063)
Comments due July 22; replies July 29.

Report No. 23778 -- BROADCAST APPLICATIONS

Report No. 43778 -- BROADCAST ACTIONS

Report No. I-8188 -- OVERSEAS COMMON CARRIER
SECTION 214 APPLICATION ACTIONS TAKEN (Formal
Section 63.01)

TEXTS

PLANO, TX. Denied Metro Broadcasters-Texas, Inc.'s
Application for Review and affirmed grant of North Texas
Radio, Inc.'s applications for assignment of license and
construction permit of KAAM(AM), Plano, Texas. (By
MO&O [FCC 96-297] adopted July 2, 1996, by the
Commission)

POLICIES AND RULES REGARDING INTERSTATE
PAY-PER-CALL AND TELEPHONE DISCLOSURE AND
DISPUTE RESOLUTION ACT. Issued new rules that will
protect consumers from unknowingly being charged for calls
made to toll-free numbers. Proposed additional minor
modifications to maximize consumers' protection from
confusing of deceptive practices related to the provision of
interstate information services. Comments due August 26;
replies September 16. (CC Docket Nos. 96-146 and 93-22
by Order and NPRM [FCC 96-289] adopted June 28, 1996,
by the Commission)

WAIVER REQUESTS IN IVDS AUCTION. Denied four
petitions for reconsideration and dismissed a fifth petition for
reconsideration as repetitious in the context of the payment
rules for the FCC's first IVDS auction. (By MO&O [FCC
96-271] adopted June 18, 1996, by the Commission)

ADDENDA: The following items released July 10, 1996,
were not listed on Digest 126:

PUBLIC NOTICES

~~**~~NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF PETITION FOR
RECONSIDERATION OF ACTION IN COMMISSION
PROCEEDING (FCC 96-172)

PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED ON MFS
COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, INC.'S PETITION FOR
RECONSIDERATION (CCB Pol 96-09, DA 96-1102)
Comments due August 9; replies August 26.

COMMON CARRIER BUREAU SEEKS FURTHER
COMMENT ON COST MODELS IN UNIVERSAL
SERVICE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING - CC
DOCKET 96-45 -- COMMENT DATE: AUGUST 9 [DA
96-1094]

For further information contact Jon Reel at (202)
418-0834 or Gary Seigel at (202) 418-0879.
Report Nos. D-863, 863-A -- MASS MEDIA BUREAU
MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE
APPLICATIONS

Report No. 23777 -- BROADCAST APPLICATIONS

Report No. 43777 -- BROADCAST ACTIONS

Report No. 1264 -- CABLE TELEVISION RELAY
SERVICE (CARS) APPLICATIONS RE: APPLICATIONS
ACCEPTED FOR FILING

Report No. 1195 -- WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS
BUREAU PART 21 RECEIPTS AND DISPOSALS - Week
of June 26 through July 3, 1996

Report No. NCS-96-36-A -- WIRELESS NARROWBAND
BRANCH INFORMATION

Report No. NCS-96-36 -- WIRELESS NARROWBAND
COMMERCIAL RADIO SERVICE INFORMATION -
Applications Accepted For Filing

Report No. DS-1645 -- SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS
SERVICES INFORMATION - Applications Accepted For
Filing

Report No. DS-1646 -- SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS
SERVICES ACTIONS

Report No. 2142 -- OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS,
REFERENCE OPERATIONS DIVISION, PETITION FOR
RULEMAKING FILED

TEXTS

USE OF DIGITAL MODULATION BY MDS AND ITFS
STATIONS. Granted, to an extent, a coalition of 99
parties' request for declaratory ruling on proposed "interim
approach" to the use of digital modulation in Multipoint
Distribution Services (MDS) and Instructional Television
Fixed Services (ITFS) upon application by individual MDS
or ITFS entities. (By Declaratory Ruling and Order [96-
304] adopted July 9, 1996, by the Commission)

IN-FLIGHT PHONE CORP. Granted In-Flight Phone
Corp.'s Petition for Declaratory Ruling Concerning Section

310(b)(4) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.
(By Declaratory Ruling and Order [DA 96-1107] adopted
July 10, 1996, by the Chief, Commercial Wireless Division,
Wireless Telecommunications Bureau)